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In re U.S. Application I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the Applicants: Kobayashi et al. United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box Serial No.: 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date. Conf. No.: September 17, 2003 Date Attorney for Applicant Filed: November 6, 1998 Registration No. For: STORAGE MEDIUM AND... Art Unit: 2132 Examiner: Meislahn, Douglas J. DEC 0 4 2003 Commissioner for Patents **Technology** Center 2100 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed June 17, 2003, please amend the above-identified Application as follows: